

**IF** you have employees, you must file Form W-2 to report wages paid.

**IF** you have a worker or subcontractor that is **NOT** considered an employee and earns \$600 or more during the year, you must report this payment to the IRS.

These workers or subcontractors are classified as independent contractors, and Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, is used to report the payments you make to them.

## Important Reasons for Filing Form 1099-MISC

- You can avoid a penalty if you report payments to IRS and to your workers. If there is any failure to file a correct Form 1099-MISC or to provide a copy to a payee, and the failure is due to intentional disregard, you may be subject to a penalty of up to 10% of the amount that should have been reported on each form, with no maximum penalty.
- If you take a deduction for amounts paid to subcontractors and fail to file Form 1099-MISC, your deduction could be challenged.

## How These Sessions Will Help

The IRS has identified a trend in the construction industry indicating that Forms 1099-MISC and W-2 are not being filed as required. In order to help those working in this industry, we invite you to attend a free tax seminar presented by the IRS.

**These sessions** will provide important information to the Construction Industry about:

- The correct filing of Form 1099-MISC
- Income and employment tax reporting requirements
- Avoiding penalties for non-filing
- Classifying workers or subcontractors as independent contractors
- Filing Form 1099-MISC electronically using the Filing Information Returns Electronically (FIRE) system. We will teach you how easy it is to file electronically using this system. Additional advantages of using the FIRE system are knowing your files have been received within two business days and having an additional 31 days to file Forms 1099-MISC.



Friday, October 22
Two seminar times to choose from:
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm or
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Seattle Central Community College
Wood Construction Center
2310 S. Lane Street

Wednesday, November 3 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Renton Technical College 3000 NE 4th, Room C111 Renton, WA 98056

Seattle, WA 98144

Wednesday, November 10 10:00 am - 11:30 am Associated Builders & Contractors of Western WA 399 114th Ave NE Bellevue, WA 98004

Thursday, December 2
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Mountlake Terrace Library
23300 58th Ave W
Mountlake Terrace, WA 98043

IF you are unable to attend a session, go to www.IRS.gov and click on Business then click on Employment Taxes for Small Businesses for specific information on filing Forms 1099-MISC.

## To register for this informative session, call:

Taxpayer Education & Communication at (206) 220-5300



or register by e-mail: wa\_sbed@irs.gov



NOTE: The two seminars on October 22 are part of an all day Contractor Training Event offered by the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries.

For more information, send us an email at the above email address.





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## HOW YOU CAN PROTECT YOURSELF FROM IRS PENALTIES

Do you make payments to workers or subcontractors?

Do you deduct these payments?



If so, and the worker is a subcontractor and not an employee, then you may be required to file Form 1099-MISC

To find out more, attend a FREE Tax Seminar presented by the IRS